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SION OF AR 34-1; B) DARCOM LTR, DRCIRD, 15 NOV 77, SUBJ:
DRAFT REVISION OF AR 34-1; C) NATO MC 20/7(FINAL), 21 OCT
1970; D) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DIRECTIVE 2010.6, 11 MARCH
1977; E) HQDA CSM-77-34-46, 22 SEP 77; F) DEPARTMENT OF
DEFENSE INSTRUCTION 2010.4, 12 DEC 67.

1. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES COMMENTS REQUESTED BY REF A.
2. GENERAL. WE SHARE THE CONCERN REPORTED BY REF B REGARD-
ING THE LACK OF NEW GUIDANCE AND PROCEDURES ON STANDARDI-
ZATION AND INTEROPERABILITY IN THE DRAFT AR 34-1. THIS
IS ESPECIALLY EVIDENT IN PARA 2-2, WHICH CONTAINS POLICY
EXTRACTED FROM REF C. REF C HAS NOT BEEN UPDATED BY NATO
SINCE 1970 AND IS A MILITARY COMMITTEE POLICY REFLECTING
THE 1970 MILITARY VIEW ONLY. ACCORDINGLY, WE SUGGEST
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PARA 2-2 BE DELETED AND THAT AR 34-1 CONTAIN ONLY THE CUR-
RENT US POLICY IN REFS D AND E. IF DELETION IS NOT ACCEP-
TABLE, THEN AR 34-1 SHOULD IDENTIFY THE SOURCE OF THE
POLICY, INDICATE IT MAY BE OUTDATED, AND PROPERLY LABEL IT
AS THE "NATO MILITARY STANDARDIZATION POLICY" VERSUS "NATO
STANDARDIZATION POLICY." IF RETAINED, IT SHOULD ALSO BE
FOOTNOTED TO TELL THE READER WHERE "US POLICY" IS CON-

TAINED IN AR 34-1.

3. SUGGEST PARA 2-12 BE CORRECTED TO REFLECT THE FOLLOWING:

- A. CNAD, NADREPS, NAAG, NAFAG, NNAG AND DRG TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR) ARE LAID DOWN IN C-M(66)33(2D REVISE), JAN 8, 1969.
- B. THE TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON AIR DEFENSE TOR IS IN NATO DOCUMENT AC/259-D/136, 29 MAY 1970.
- C. THE TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT (TSGCEE) IS A NEW MAIN GROUP AND SHOULD BE ADDED. THE TSGCEE WAS FORMED BY CNAD IN 1977 WITH TOR IN NATO DOCUMENT AC/302-D/1, 23 MAY 1977.
- D. THE NIAG TOR IS IN NIAG(68)(D/1), OCT 68, AND AC/259-D/58, 6 NOV 68.

4. SUGGEST LAST SENTENCE IN PARA 7-2 A.(2)(B) BE REVISED TO READ: "A RESERVATION WILL ALSO BE SPECIFIED ON ALL NEW AND REVISED EQUIPMENT AGREEMENTS WHERE US SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS ARE MORE STRINGENT THAN THOSE OF THE STANDARDIZATION AGREEMENT." AS NOW WORDED, ONE COULD INTERPRET IT TO APPLY TO LESS STRINGENT REQUIREMENTS.

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5. PARA 8-1(A) CONCERNING POLICY FOR HOLDING NATO MEETINGS IN CONUS PERMITS SUCH MEETINGS WHEN THEY "WILL BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE US". SUGGEST THE SECOND SENTENCE BE MORE TACTFULLY WORDED AS FOLLOWS: "HOWEVER, THE US ARMY MAY HOST NATO MEETINGS IN CONUS WHEN THE MEETING WILL BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE ALLIANCE, AND".

6. SUGGEST PARA 10-2 BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE THE REQUIREMENT (PARA VI E, REF F) THAT THE HEAD OF THE US DELEGATION, ASSISTED BY THE DESIGNATED US NATO STAFF OFFICER, PREPARE A SUMMARY REPORTING MESSAGE (AIRGRAM) UPON THE COMPLETION OF EACH MEETING.

7. SUGGEST PARA 11-1 BE REVISED TO INCLUDE ALL ELEMENTS OF THE POLICY IN REFS D AND E.

8. SUGGEST THE "CNAD" BLOCK OF APP B BE REVISED TO ADD THE TSGCEE AND CLARIFY THAT THE NIAG IS AN ADVISORY BODY ONLY. BENNETT

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